# **Aviation in California: Fact Sheet**



#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#### **Permitted Facilities**

Sources: Caltrans' Airport Information Management System and the FAA National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (2005-2009)

- 250 Public Use Airports
  - ▶ <u>219</u> General Aviation Airports
  - 31 Commercial Service Airports provide scheduled passenger service
- 64 Special Use Airports
- 495 Permitted Heliports
  - ► 152 Hospital heliports
  - ▶ 192 Corporate heliports
  - ▶ <u>51</u> Police heliports
  - ▶ 41 Fire heliports
  - 2 Commuter heliports
  - ► 57 Private heliports

## 22 Military/NASA & 2 Joint Use Facilities

#### **Scheduled Passenger Service and Air Cargo**

Sources: California Department of Transportation, Division of Aeronautics and FAA 2005 CY ACAIS Boarding & All-Cargo Data Reports

- In 2006, 177.8 Million Passengers (Enplaned and Deplaned) Traveled through California's Commercial Service Airports.
  - ► CA Share of national enplanement total: <u>87.0</u> Million Enplanements, or 11.8 Percent
  - Eleven of California's 31 Primary/Commercial Service airports ranked in the top 100 of the 383 U.S. Primary/Commercial passenger service airports.

(LAX-3<sup>rd</sup>, SFO-14<sup>th</sup>; SAN-29<sup>th</sup>; OAK-31<sup>st</sup>, SJC-37<sup>th</sup>; SMF-39<sup>th</sup>; SNA-42<sup>rd</sup>; ONT-53<sup>rd</sup>; BUR-59<sup>th</sup>; LGB-80<sup>th</sup>; & PSP-96<sup>th</sup>)

- In 2006, 4.6 million tons moved through 17 Airports.
  - CA Share of U.S. Landed Weight: 17.5 Billion Pounds or 11.5 percent
  - Eight California Airports Ranked in the Top 100 U.S. Primary/Commercial Service Airports by Landing Weight. (LAX-4<sup>th</sup>; OAK-10<sup>th</sup>; ONT-12<sup>th</sup>; SFO-16<sup>th</sup>; SAN-40<sup>d</sup>; MHR-53<sup>rd</sup>; SJC-58<sup>th</sup>; SMF-79<sup>th</sup>)



## **CA Certified Pilots and Registered Aircraft**

Sources: 2006 FAA Activity Survey

- Estimated Active Pilots (2008): <u>63,843</u> (11.4 percent of U.S. total)
- GA & Air Taxi Active Aircraft (2008): 23,854 (10.7 percent of U.S. total)
- GA & Air Taxi Active Aircraft Hours Flown: 3.2 million (11.6 percent of U.S total, 2006)
- General Aviation account for 80 percent of aircraft operations statewide

### **Aviation's Economic Impact**

Sources: Aviation in California: Benefits to Our Economy and Way of Life (2003); FHWA, Office of Freight Management and Operations, Freight Analysis Framework, November 2002; and the California Technology, Trade and Commerce Agency

- Aviation's contribution to the state Gross Domestic Product: \$111 billion (9 Percent)
- Aviation's contribution to the State employment: <u>1.7</u> million jobs (9 Percent)
- Tax revenue generated annually: \$250 million
- CA Share of the U.S. travel market: <u>12 percent</u>
- CA aviation generated tourism dollars: \$14.5 billion (2001)
- CA air cargo value: \$173 billion (2000)
- CA Aerospace manufacturers global contribution: \$28 billion
  - ▶ 1,070 Companies
  - <u>▶ 170,900</u> Employees

Agricultural Air Cargo: Source: The Role of Air Cargo in California's Agricultural Export Trade by Jock O'Connell, Bert Mason & John Hagen, Center for Agricultural Business, California State University, Fresno (May 2005)

- In 2004, airborne agricultural exports from California totaled \$659 million, which was an Increase of nearly 67 percent from 1996
- In 2004, LAX and SFO together handled 98.8 percent of all California airborne imports and 93.2 percent of all exports
- In 2004, 54.7 percent of California's total export trade traveled by air

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### **Federal Fiscal Data**

- The Airport and Airway Trust Fund request for FFY 2008 is \$14.1 billion in taxes and investments. (FAA Fiscal Year 2008Budget in Brief)
- In FFY 2006, the Federal Aviation Administration provided \$273.48 million in grants to California's airports and neighboring communities from the Airport Improvement Program. (FAA FY 2007 grants)

Net Grant Activity	Grants	Amount (millions)
Primary:	39	\$203.8
Commercial:	3	\$1.9
Reliever:	26	\$24.5
General Aviation:	61	\$42.3
System Planning:	2	\$0.9
Total AIP:	131	\$273.4

# **State CA Aid to Airports Program**

Grants Issued

- FY-2007/08 ending June 30, 2008
  - Acquisition & Development Grants (7): \$1.7 million
  - Airport Improvement Program Matching Grants (48): **\$1.0 million**

California's public-use airports need \$3.6 billion in capital improvement projects over a 5-year period, including \$1.4 billion at General Aviation airports. Commercial Service airports would need \$2.2 billion in projects. (2007 Capital Improvement Plan Airport Survey)

## 10-year Historical Record of CA General Aviation Fuel Sales & State Excise Taxes Revenue

	AvGas <sup>1</sup>	Jet Fuel <sup>2</sup>	Aeronautics Account Revenue <sup>3</sup>		
Fiscal Year	Gallons Sold (in millions)	Gallons Sold (in millions)	Avgas	Jet Fuel	Annual Total
1998-99	29.9	94.5	\$5,382,000	\$1,890,000	\$7,272,000
1999-00	33.7	114.5	\$6,066,000	\$2,290,000	\$8,356,000
2000-01	27.9	133.2	\$5,030,000	\$2,664,000	\$7,694,000
2001-02	28.8	120.0	\$5,200,000	\$2,400,000	\$7,600,000
2002-03	28.1	122.6	\$5,100,000	\$2,452,000	\$7,552,000
2003-04	27.3	135.7	\$4,922,000	\$2,832,000	\$7,754,000
2004-05	23.6	144.3	\$4,858,000	\$2,763,000	\$7,622,000
2005-06	25.8	149.2	\$4,408,000	\$3,001,000	\$7,409,000
2006-07	24.7	149.8	\$2,006,000	\$5,284,000	\$7,290,000
42007-08	19.1	79.9	\$3,657,000	\$3,574,000	\$7,231,000

Current Fuel Tax Rates: 1\$0.18/gallon. 2\$0.02/gallon

<sup>3</sup>Source: State Controller's Office (SCO), actual transfers to the Aviation Trust Fund

Note: Adjustments by the BOE and minor administrative handling fees charged by the BOE and SCO account for the difference in revenue calculations prior to actual Aeronautics Account transfers.

The SCO's periodic revenue transfers to the Aeronautics Account do not always align with the fiscal year. Fuel sales reported by BOE, Fuel Taxes Division: FY 2007-08 (July 2007 through February 2008)



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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1&2</sup>Source: The Board of Equalization (BOE) Tax Division: *Taxable Aviation Gasoline Gallons 10-Year Report* (Aviation Gas (AvGas) and Jet Fuel FYs 2002 - 2007)